North Bay Regional Advisory Committee

MINUTES

Date Monday, May 24, 2021

Call to Order



Meeting called to order on Monday, May 24, at 11:30 a.m.

Quorum was established

Welcome and Introductions

Members Present – Dr. Bartholomew, Ellen Sweigert, Maria Avina, Sonia Jones, Donna Martin



Jeana Eriksen (NB Council Rep)

SCDD- Lisa Hooks and Genoveva Michel

Members Absent – Mar Angeles, Daphne Dunstan, Ana Uribe (Leave of Absence), Angela Zamora, Bobby Craig and Chen Curtiss

Members of the Public- none

Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes

August 26, 2019 January 25, 2021 February 22, 2021 March 22, 2021

No Public Comment

Reports/Information

- Co-Chairs
 - Sonoma Vacant request to volunteer as Co-Chair was made, none noted
 - Napa Ellen
- Ellen stated that a Napa day program has closed. Her program is hosting a play and she wrote it and is participating in it. She is also volunteering at Napa Society and is applying for a position with ADA committee.
 - Solano Sonia
- Sonia shared she feels the public does not want to get the COVID vaccine. Children can get the shot. She is excited as her adult daughter who has I/DD, has moved into her own place and has ILS supports and will be graduating from High School. This is a huge step for her family.
- Dr. Bartholomew mentioned that they are still open and are going to the public but will also offer virtual learning for those interested. She also shared she partnered with Sunflower program to assist with affordable housing. She will gather additional information to share with SCDD so that hopefully we can partner with them as well.
- Lisa shared her thoughts on how the future looks as we transition with COVID and return to work and school.

SDAC Updates

 Lisa would like everyone to join the SDAC meetings. The meetings are every second Monday of the month at 11:30 am. They also have vacancies needing to be filled. RAC also has vacancies.

State Council Update

- SB 639: Lisa shared information regarding SB 639 and what it refers to. In addition, SCDD will continue to monitor it and share more information as it becomes available.



- Lisa expressed that during COVID many people have experienced loneliness and isolation. It is important to check on our loved ones during this time. It is as easy as a phone call or text.
- Self-Determination Program: Lisa spoke about where we are in the process and how it takes time for the budget to get approved, progress is being made.

Announcements

- Lisa would like to present an Emergency Preparedness Kit training at next RAC meeting.
 By attending the training participants will receive a Go Bag.
- Lisa shared she would like to create a resource list to share with members of the community. The list would include information regarding transportation, students returning to school, reintegrating back into society during COVID-19, etc.
- Ellen shared she is the SSAN representative and the next SSAN meeting is June 9th and 10th. She is also collecting a list of clients needing representation with Self-Advocacy information. Lisa would like her to include local Self-Advocacy lunch time chat meetings.
- Donna shared that even thou she likes the zoom idea, in person would be better in person. As not everyone is tech savvy and needs additional assistance to participate.
- Donna suggests hosting a fair to provide information regarding students returning to school, how to mingle with self-advocacy members, religion, etc.
- Jeana shared PG & E is hosting a safety training on June 20th.



Next Meeting Date
June 2021



Adjournment

Via Zoom

Adjourned at 12:45 p.m.



